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Dear Sirs,

**Re: Application pursuant to the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects
of International Child Abduction – Ms. P F**

Attached please find an Application pursuant to the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction on behalf of Ms. P F, who seeks the return to Israel of her two children, M F and B F.

Ms. F claims that in April, 2023 she and her husband, Y F, agreed that he could take the children to the United States for a two-week visit to his family for the Passover holiday, and that they would return to Israel in time for the children to return to school after the Passover break, that being by 18 April, 2023. The children were not returned at that time and to this day they remain in the United States, despite the mother's objection. She further claims that he has cut off contact between her and the children.

The mother claims that she cannot afford to hire an attorney. We attach the form for pro bono assistance, signed by the mother. We would be very grateful if you could provide names of attorneys who may be prepared to consider representing her and commencing proceedings for the return of the children on her behalf. While Ms. F does speak some English, she will require assistance with translation.

Ms. F states that she is very concerned for the children's well-being. She states that the father does not allow contact with the children, and it is her understanding that they are not in any educational framework. She therefore wishes that the welfare authorities in the United States check the welfare of the children.

We would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of the application in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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We thank you for your assistance and look forward to hearing from you.

Your truly,



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